

The Georgia Board of Nursing met July 14-15, 2010 in Conference Room 104 of the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon Georgia 31217.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Delynn Keeton, RN, MN, CPHRM, President
Scott Thigpen, RN, MSN, CEN, CCRN, Vice President
Janice Flynn, DSN, RN
Mary Anderson, RN, BSN, MA
Nancy Robinson, RNC, LNHA

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dawn Taylor, JD, Consumer Member
Barry Cranfill, RN, CRNA, MHS, MBA, FAAPM
Linda W. Smith, RN, MSN

STAFF PRESENT

Sandy Bond, RN, MSN, MBA, Executive Director
Gwendolyn Dodson, Administrative Assistant
Adrienne Price, RN, MSN, Nursing Consultant, Legal
Katrina Martin, RN, BSN, COHN-S, Nursing Consultant – Practice
Julia Gould, RN, MS, Nursing Consultant – Education
Janet Jackson, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Julie Fisher, Staff Attorney, Legal Services

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

JR-RNI060412
TP-RNI100455

JS-RNI100752
AM-RNI090479

RF-RNI100664

SS-RNI100629

VISITORS PRESENT (During Executive Session, Visitors are excused unless scheduled for personal appearances)

Kelly Finnel
Theresa Ledrick
Marel Bick

Josh Belinfante
Nancy Dixon
Patricia Witcher

Dwayne Dunmire
Laura Myrick

Charlie Presha
Leannder Beard

Susan Johnson
Carol Harvey

Keeton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 14, 2010. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Flynn moved to approve the May 12-13, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Flynn moved to approve the May 28, 2010 Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Flynn moved to approve the June 7, 2010 Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

GHA WORKFORCE COUNCIL LIAISON – MARY ANDERSON

Mary Anderson gave a brief overview of the GHA Workforce Council meeting:

- Survey to be conducted with RN renewals
- Updated council on the progress of the pilot project in Augusta, Georgia regarding available clinical placements online (Student Max)
- Concerns regarding RN's addresses placed on the website for public viewing

CORRESPONDENCE – LORENE RAFOL

Anderson moved to uphold the previous May 12-13, 2010 Board motion. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE – SHARRI RITTENHOUSE, NP

Anderson moved to send a letter to Mrs. Rittenhouse that licensee's correspondence was referred to the Medical State Board of Georgia. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PETITION WAIVER – SANDRA HIGHFIELD

Anderson moved to deny petition waiver due to her request for waiver for a consent order not a board rule. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thigpen moved, Flynn seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h), 43-26-5 (c) and 43-26-11, to *deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and pending cases*. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Wednesday, July 14, 2010, Keeton declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100752 – Anderson moved to uphold previous Board motion for failure to disclose with a fine of \$500 and strike juvenile component from the previous vote. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI060412 – Flynn moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement for failure to disclose 2002 to include a fine of \$500 and proceed with APRN authorization. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100664 – Flynn moved to rescind the previous Board motion and proceed with RN licensure and APRN authorization. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100629 – Anderson moved to proceed with licensure by examination. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100455 – Anderson moved to rescind the previous Board motion and proceed with licensure. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried with Flynn abstaining.

RNI090479 – Flynn moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include probation for two (2) years, quarterly reports-employer, aftercare & personal, while in reentry, no narcotic restrictions and must have a random 10-panel drug screens per month. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL SERVICES REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100851 – Anderson moved to release application file only. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100931 – Flynn moved to release application file only. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100915 – Anderson moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Answering Questions Appropriately and proceed with licensure by endorsement. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LICENSE RENEWAL REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100531 – Anderson moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Criminal and renew license. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100490 – Thigpen moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement for failure to disclose with a fine of \$500. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100352 – Anderson moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Drugs. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100464 – Flynn moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Private Consent Order to track criminal probation. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100510 – Anderson moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Ethics. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100543 – Thigpen moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Criminal. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100561 – Anderson moved to order licensee to have an Outpatient MPE. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100585 – Flynn moved to order licensee to have an Outpatient MPE. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100567 – Anderson moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Action in Another Jurisdiction. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100549 – Thigpen moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement for failure to disclose with a fine of \$1000. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NCLEX APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100932 – Anderson moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement for failure to disclose with a fine of \$500. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100580 – Flynn moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Public Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, substance abuse stipulations, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports-employer, aftercare & personal and a fine of \$500 for previous consent order. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100862 – Anderson moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order for failure to disclose arrests with a fine of \$500 and a fine of \$50 unlicensed practice. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100930 – Thigpen moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order for failure to disclose arrests with a fine of \$500. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried with Flynn abstaining.

RNI100865 – Anderson moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Drugs. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100956 – Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Private Consent Order to include completing a board approved reentry program and a fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrests. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080543 – Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, substance abuse stipulations, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports-employer, aftercare, personal & psychotherapy and track criminal probation. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ENDORSEMENT APPLICATION REVIEW

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RNI100951 – Thigpen moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Action in Another Jurisdiction. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100926 – Thigpen moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100923 – Thigpen moved to deny licensure by endorsement based upon criminal history and action in another jurisdiction. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100879 – Thigpen moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order for failure to disclose arrests with a fine of \$500 and notify the Alabama Board of Nursing after docketing. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100925 – Anderson moved to write applicant a letter to have an Outpatient MPE. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100879 – Robinson moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order for failure to disclose arrests with a fine of \$500. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MENTAL/PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI090511 – Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Voluntary Surrender or Indefinite Suspension. Nurse may reapply after one (1) year of documented continuous sobriety. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100616 – Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports: employer, aftercare, personal. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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FAILURE TO DISCLOSE REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100946 – Robinson moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement to include a fine of \$1500 for unlicensed practice. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR RESTORATION

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI080158 – Flynn moved to write applicant a letter to have an Outpatient MPE. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS – SELF REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100937 – Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, substance abuse stipulations, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years and quarterly reports-employer, aftercare & personal. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100568 – Uphold previous motion.

NCLEX APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100933 – Anderson moved to deny licensure by examination based on legal probation. Applicant may reapply for licensure after completion of probation. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100938 – Flynn moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order for failure to disclose arrests with a fine of \$500. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI070382– Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Public Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, substance abuse stipulations, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports-employer, aftercare & personal. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090226 – Thigpen moved to deny licensure by reinstatement and must complete a MPE by a Board-approved provider by September 15, 2010. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100963 – Thigpen moved to write applicant a letter to have an Outpatient MPE. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MENTAL/PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REVIEW

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RNI100432 – Flynn moved to proceed with licensure by reinstatement. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090158 – Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports: employer, aftercare, personal & psychotherapy and a fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrests. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090315 – Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports: employer, aftercare & personal. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100362 – Robinson moved to proceed with licensure. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100417 – Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports: employer, aftercare & personal. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080203 – Anderson moved to inform applicant of incomplete MPE and send applicant letter requesting physician recommendations. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT PROBATION

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RNI080811 – Flynn moved to terminate probation. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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ENFORCEMENT

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RNI090407 – Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports: employer, aftercare & personal. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090400 – Robinson moved to close the case. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100505 – Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Voluntary Surrender or Indefinite Suspension until resolution of criminal charges. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100577 – Flynn moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports: employer, aftercare & personal. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090150 – Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Voluntary Surrender or Indefinite Suspension based on violation of amended consent order. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090525 – Flynn moved to close the case. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080377 – Robinson moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Communication. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080458 – Flynn moved to close the case and alert the system. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090526 – Anderson moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or a Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, narcotic restrictions for two (2) years, quarterly reports: employer, aftercare & personal. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090255 – Flynn moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Standards of Practice. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI070478 – Thigpen moved to order licensee to have an Outpatient MPE. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

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Applicant J.G., #1226055 – Flynn moved to accept reentry plan. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant L.K., #1236717 – Flynn moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement for Reinstatement to include a fine of \$1400 for unlicensed practice and issue temp permit upon payment of fine. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant M.W., #1238284 – Anderson moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement for Reinstatement to include a fine of \$7900 for unlicensed practice. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant K.L., #1237097 – Robinson moved to proceed with Authorization. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant J.K., #1231768 – Smith moved to require applicant to complete a Board-approved reentry program for Authorization. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant A.C., #1229752 – Thigpen moved to require applicant to complete a Board-approved reentry program. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant B.S., #1237586 – Smith moved to request a personal appearance. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant M.L., #1214843 – Thigpen moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement for Reinstatement to include a fine of \$1400 for unlicensed practice. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant K.W., #1234087 – Anderson moved to deny licensure based on college/university not having regional accreditation. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant M.D., #1236076 – Anderson moved to proceed with licensure upon passing the NCLEX-RN. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant M.W., #1228851 – Anderson moved to deny based on Board Rule 410-6-.02 (9). Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT CASES REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to ratify the recommendations of the Cognizant Board member and to close the following complaints:

RNI100531	RNI100528	RNI100836	RNI100865	RNI100290	RNI100190	RNI100862
RNI100291	RNI070150	RNI100478	RNI100925	RNI100509	RNI100477	RNI100564
RNI100536	RNI100530	APP#1230514	APP#1236703	RNI100879	RNI100435	RNI100616
RNI080426	RNI100584	RNI100543	RNI100569	RNI100592	RNI100552	RNI100537
RNI100561	RNI100541	RNI100567	RNI100352	RNI100490	RNI100464	RNI100551
RNI100549	RNI100585	RNI100929	RNI100930	APP#1238086	RNI100962	RNI100938
APP#1227134	RNI090158	RNI100933	APP#1240870	RNI080593	RNI090019	

Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT FAILURE TO DISCLOSE CASES REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to ratify the recommendations of the Cognizant Board member to accept Private Consent Agreement orders for Licensure with a fine of \$1000 for failure to disclose arrests on application, as prepared and upon receipt allow the ED to sign upon the express permission of the Board President. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100837

LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT FAILURE TO DISCLOSE CASES REPORT

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RNI100838	RNI100840	RNI100841	RNI100844	RNI100845	RNI100846	RNI100735
RNI100910	RNI100911	RNI100915	RNI100916	RNI100917	RNI100918	RNI100928
RNI100919	RNI100869	RNI100920	RNI100922	RNI100913	RNI100927	RNI100934
RNI100935	RNI100936	RNI100942	RNI100943	RNI100944	RNI100947	RNI100948
RNI100952	RNI100921					

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to accept the following recommendations for the cases listed below:

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
RNI100285	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI080478	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI060014	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI080212	Deny narcotic restrictions.

Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF BORROWER DEFAULT ON REPAYMENT OF STUDENT LOANS

Thigpen moved to suspend the following license(s) to practice as a registered professional nurse for defaulting on licensee's student loan, and further moved that this suspension will cease upon the receipt of notice by the Division Director or a notice of release from the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Deborah Joyce Moxley, RN137540

LIST OF CASES REFERRED DIRECTLY TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR SELF-REPORTS

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Private Consent Order to include probation for four (4) years, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, and limitations with quarterly reports-personal, employer and aftercare reports. If the licensee has abuse alcohol only, omit the narcotic restrictions. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100896	RNI100961	RNI100957	RNI100960	RNI100836	RNI100868	RNI100866
RNI100847	RNI100850	RNI090258	RNI100762	RNI100867	RNI100675	

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Flynn moved to accept the Cognizant Report regarding unlicensed/unauthorized practice and to refer identified cases to Legal Services for issuance of a Private Consent Order. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APP#1226338	APP#1227353	APP#1227625	APP#1227629	APP#1227769	APP#1228337	APP#1228724
APP#1229125	APP#1229955	APP#1229978	APP#1190841	APP#1227108	APP#1227946	APP#1228728
APP#1229237	APP#122599	APP#1210551	APP#1227762	APP#1228236	APP#1229209	APP#1230131
APP#1231671	APP#1231352	APP#1231674	APP#1232048	APP#1232302	APP#1229943	APP#1230309
APP#1228975	APP#1232543	APP#1233219	APP#1227117	APP#1229983	APP#1230570	APP#1231435
APP#1231539	APP#1232718	APP#1232988	APP#1229104	APP#1231668	APP#1231775	APP#1233191
APP#1227108	APP#1228999	APP#1227108	APP#1228999	APP#1222424	APP#1228494	APP#1230308
APP#1231423	APP#1232112					

LIST OF CASES REFERRED DIRECTLY TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR VIOLATION OF MPE ORDERS

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Flynn moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Consent Order to include Indefinite Suspension or Voluntary Surrender for violation of MPE order. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080340	RNI090046	RNI090478	RNI080244	RNI080619	RNI070488
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LIST OF CASES REFERRED DIRECTLY TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR A MPE

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Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a MPE order. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100728	RNI090135	RNI100724	RNI100729	RNI100676	RNI100046	RNI100644
RNI100049	RNI090531	RNI100373	RNI100570	RNI090406	RNI100045	RNI100763
RNI100651	RNI100347	RNI100047	RNI100760	RNI100379	RNI100648	RNI100657
RNI100761	RNI100275					

Keeton adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2010

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Jim Cleghorn, Business Analyst

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Sandy Gandee	Patricia Witcher	Carol Harvery	Marci Biel	Susan Johnson
Kelly Register	Nancy Dixon	Josh Belinfante	Lindsey Radcho	Kasey Faste
Laura Drexler	Allyson Hammontu	Vanice Roberts	L Hoover	Tammy Bryant
Claudia Grooms	Millicent Threats	Diana Meeks-Sjostrom	Chiquita Hicks	Latorshia Ellis
Lisa Beck	Katrina Walker	Joanne Jackson	Marsha Johnson	Sheila Burke
Nancy Norman-Marzella	Judy Malachowski	Mary Urbanski	Marsha Lucas	Deborah Ryan
Frank Webster				

Keeton called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. on Thursday, July 15, 2010. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Bond reported on administrative items and the following:

- ***Handouts Journal of Nursing Regulation:*** Articles- "Confronting the Realities of Regulation in a New Age of Practice" page 4; "Pursuing Competence through Continuing Education" page 11; "Understanding the Disease of Addiction" page 31

APRN COMMITTEE

A discussion was held with the Board and members of the audience regarding CNSs being recognize as advanced practice registered nurses.

- Grandfathering CNSs
- Postponing the date for recognition
- Educational components of the three- pharmacology, physical assessment & pathophysiology
- Operational procedures timeframe for transitions

Smith moved to accept the minutes of the June 30, 2010 APRN Committee meeting submitted with the correction of listing Gerald Hobbs only once as attending. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Smith moved to refer the proposed amended rules for clinical nurse specialist to the Attorney General's Office for review. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Smith moved to send an invitation to Deans, Directors or their designee of graduate programs in Georgia to participate in the next APRN Committee meeting to discuss educational issues surrounding CNSs functioning as APRNs. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Smith moved to postpone the effective date to recognize CNSs as advanced practical registered nurses to January 1, 2011 in order to allow more time for the details of the rule change to be considered. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Smith moved to approve guidelines and procedures for the APRN Committee as written with the addition under page two (2) of the guidelines and procedures with no current disciplinary action on file or pending investigation. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thigpen moved, Smith seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h), 43-26-5 (c) and 43-26-11, to *deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and pending cases*. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Thursday, July 15, 2010, Keeton declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS/ORDERS – ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to accept the Attorney General's Status and Activity Report and to accept the following Consent Agreements/Orders as prepared by the Attorney General's Office:

RNI100442	RNI060408	RNI100724	RNI100062	Fordham, Karen	RNI100234
Ingle, Jessica	RNI100764	RNI100183	Morgan, Heather	Newman, Alana	Pipkin, Lisa
RNI070378	RNI100572	RNI100739	RNI070388/RNI100112	RNI100259	RNI090438
Prescott-Reynard, Joseph					

Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100350 – Thigpen moved to deny request to make public consent order a private consent order. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080689 – Anderson moved to close the case. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090508 – Anderson moved to issue a Public Reprimand with no fine. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100438 – Anderson moved to request staff to send the nurse a certified letter of her consent agreement, a summary of missing reports and a reminder that Board must receive evidence of completion of criminal probation before her probation can be terminated. All documentation must be received in Board office prior to August 30, 2010. If not received and can show proof of receipt present to Board for review. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI0890459 – Smith moved to close the case and the alert the system for monitoring on renewal. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100046 – Smith moved to accept pending receipt of original private consent order and allow executive director to sign with express permission for the board president. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Flynn moved to accept the following current language in consent orders pertaining to quarterly reports:

“The Respondent shall submit personal quarterly reports to the Board by March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 commencing on the first reporting date following the effective date of this Order and continuing throughout the probationary period. Failure to submit such reports, upon substantiation thereof, shall be grounds for further sanction or revocation of Respondent's license.”

Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS – SELF REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100568 – Anderson moved to rescind motion and deny reinstatement until Pennsylvania license is restored. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100962– Flynn moved to proceed with licensure. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

Wright, Kathleen – Anderson moved to reduce med-surgical preceptorship hours to 75 hours due to 16 years as an LPN. The applicant must complete 75 hours for all other clinical preceptorship hours. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Francis-Agalaba, Constance – Smith moved to accept med-surgical experience and must complete 75 hours for all other clinical preceptorship hours. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EDUCATIONAL COGNIZANT NONTRADITIONAL APPLICATION REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to ratify the following recommendations of the Cognizant Board members regarding nontraditional applications for licensure. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

App. #1240743 App. #1194884 App. #1201679 App. #1209536 App. #1223564

EDUCATIONAL COGNIZANT PRECEPTORSHIP APPLICATION REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Flynn moved to ratify the following recommendations of the Cognizant Board members regarding preceptorship applications. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

	RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION
App. #1220350	Approve and issue temp permit.

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to accept the Cognizant Report regarding unlicensed/unauthorized practice and to refer identified cases to Legal Services for issuance of a Private Consent Order. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**APP#1232548 APP#1234423 APP#1234471 APP#1235233 APP#1235573 APP#1224467 APP#1232269
APP#1234009 APP#1235299 APP#1235422 APP#1238959 APP#1239261 APP#1231092 APP#1231787**

APPLICATION REVIEWS COGNIZANT REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Thigpen moved to accept the Cognizant Report regarding reentry applications. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APP#1232987

Applicant B.D., #1240870 – Thigpen moved to issue license with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant E.S., #1227347 – Smith moved to hold until conference call to review further. Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SITE VISIT REPORTS

Middle Georgia College

The Middle Georgia College's February 9-10, 2010 site visit report was reviewed. Smith moved to approve the following commendations:

1. Over the last four years (2006-2009), 96.6% (146/151) of first-time NCLEX-RN writers have passed. [410-3-.09 (1), (2)]
2. An excellent comprehensive plan for total program evaluation has been developed and implemented to incorporate all aspects of 410-3-.03 (8). [410-3-.03 (8)]
3. Minutes for faculty and committee meetings clearly describe business conducted and actions. [410-3-.03 (9); 410-3-.05 (12)]
4. The philosophy, outcomes, organizing framework, teaching/learning strategies, activities, and interactions, and evaluation of learning are internally consistent. [410-3-.04 (2)]
5. Practiced-based learning activities occur in diverse settings representative of the continuum of health care. [410-3-.04 (6)]
6. Teaching/learning activities incorporate praxis, reflection, critical thinking and decision-making. [410-3-.04 (8)]
7. Teaching/learning activities facilitate the transition to professional practice. [410-3-.04 (9)]
8. Faculty members have the graduate nursing education, expertise, and professional development to enable the outcomes of the curriculum. [410-3-.05 (8)]
9. Clearly developed practices have been established to guide and evaluate students throughout the program using advisors, standardized testing, and remediation to enhance NCLEX-RN success. [410-3-.04 (11); 410-3-.05 (10); 410-3-.07 (2); 410-3-.09]

Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Thigpen moved to approve the following recommendation:

1. Revise the information in the catalog so that Biology 2114 is included and the distribution of hours for Nursing 1711 is accurate. [410-3-.03 (10)]

Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Southwest Georgia Technical College

The Southwest Georgia Technical College's February 16-18, 2010 site visit report was reviewed. Anderson moved to approve the following commendations:

1. The Program Effectiveness and Evaluation Tool (PEET) are comprehensive and consistently reviewed. [410-3-.03 (8)]
2. Minutes for faculty and committee meetings clearly describe business conducted and actions. [410-3-.03 (9)]

3. Teaching/learning strategies, activities, and interactions incorporate praxis, reflection, critical thinking and decision-making. [410-3-.04 (8)]
4. Teaching/learning strategies, activities and interactions facilitate the transition to professional practice. [410-3-.04 (9)]
5. Evaluation and analysis of the standardized HESI examination results have supported decisions on admission, progression and graduation. [410-3-.04 (11); 410-3-.05 (12)]
6. Faculty members have the graduate nursing education, expertise, and professional development to enable the outcomes of the curriculum. [410-3-.05 (8)]
7. Educational facilities and resources on each campus enhance the learning goals of the curriculum. [410-3-.10]

Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried with Smith abstaining.

Anderson moved to approve the following recommendations:

1. Given the existing four (4) tracks in the program, provide a written plan for the appointment of additional faculty members. For the Valdosta Technical College off-campus site, at least one (1) qualified full-time faculty member with maternal/child expertise must be appointed. [410-3-.03 (7); 410-3-.05 (8)]
2. Revisit the program during the 2011-12 academic year. [410-3-.01 (8)]

Robinson seconded the motion and it carried with Smith abstaining.

Emory University

The Emory University's March 31, 2010 site visit report was reviewed. Flynn moved to approve the following commendations:

1. Clear, detailed minutes document business conducted and actions taken at all organizational levels. [410-3-.03 (9); 410-3-.05 (12)]
2. The philosophy, outcomes, organizing framework, teaching/learning strategies, activities, and interactions, and critique/evaluation of learning are internally consistent. [410-3-.04 (2)]
3. Practiced-based learning activities occur in diverse settings representative of the continuum of health care. [410-3-.04 (6)]
4. Teaching/learning strategies, activities, and interactions incorporate praxis, reflection, critical thinking and decision-making. [410-3-.04 (8)]
5. Teaching/learning strategies, activities and interactions facilitate the transition to professional practice by incorporating concepts relating to accountability, the provision and coordination of care, advocacy, and collaboration. [410-3-.04 (9)]
6. Evaluation of clinical performance is based upon an internally consistent, refined tool which provides for the identification of patterns and appropriate actions if needed. [410-3-.04 (11)]
7. Faculty members have the graduate nursing education, expertise, and professional development to enable the outcomes of the curriculum. [410-3-.05 (8)]
8. Guidelines for student learning activities are clearly articulated. [410-3-.04 (2); 410-3-.07 (2)]
9. From pre-admission through graduation, positive efforts in communication among mentors, faculty members, and students enhance successful outcomes. [410-3-.04 (2); 410-3-.05 (10); 410-3-.07 (2)]
10. Options are available for selected students in terms of admission and the offering of specified courses. [410-3-.03 (4); 410-3-.07 (2)]
11. Educational facilities, resources and services greatly enhance the implementation of the program for faculty members, staff, and students. [410-3-.10]
12. Over the last four years (2006-2009), 94.9% (357/376, 94.9%) of first-time NCLEX-RN writers have passed. [410-3-.09 (1), (2)]
13. Based upon compliance with rules related to site visit reports, annual reports, and the overall passing percentage of at least 80% (357/376, 94.9%) of all first-time writers over the four most recent calendar years (2006-09), Full Approval is continued for the BSN Program at the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University through December 31, 2014. [410-3-.02 (2)(a)] Unless another reason presents itself, the next site visit will be scheduled during the 2013-2014 academic year. [410-3-.01 (8)]

Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The site visit had no recommendations.

SITE VISIT RESPONSES

Georgia College & State University

The response to Georgia College & State University's January 21-22, 2010 site visit report was reviewed. Smith moved based upon review and documentation of compliance with rules relating to annual reports, the most recent site visit report and responses to it, and an overall passing percentage of at least 80% (267/278, 96.0%) of all first-time NCLEX-RN writers over the last four years (2006-2009), Full Approval is extended through December 31, 2014 academic year. [410-3-.02 (2)(a)] Unless another reason presents itself, the next site visit will be scheduled during the 2013-2014 academic year. [410-3-.01 98]] Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

DEVELOPING PROGRAMS

Bauder College (AD) Report I

The responses to Bauder College's Report I May 12-13, 2010 recommendations were reviewed. Smith moved to accept the following:

1. Revise the curriculum plan so that at least six (6) quarters include nursing courses with learning activities in classes, simulated settings, and practice settings. [410-3-.03 (4)]
2. Review HS121, Anatomy and Physiology I, HS131, Anatomy and Physiology II, and HS200, Diseases of the Human Body, in terms of their appropriateness for a registered nurse program. [410-3-.04 (3)]
3. Review credit being awarded to licensed practical nurses upon successful of NUR201, LPN Role Transitions. [410-3-.03 (2)]
4. Clarify the designation of the Bauder College nursing unit as a program, department, division, school or college. [410-3-.03 (2)]
5. Submit written responses to the recommendations when documentation is received that Bauder College has no sanctions from the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. [410-3-.03 (1)]

Flynn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Herzing University – 22/20 Month

The 22/20 month report submitted by Herzing University in support of its board actions proposed prelicensure BSN program was reviewed. Flynn moved to approve the following:

1. Grant Developmental Approval to Herzing University for the development and implementation of a proposed prelicensure baccalaureate in nursing program. [410-3-.02 (1)(a)]
2. Three scannable copies of Report I must be received in the board office no later than October 13, 2010 for review at the Board's November 17-18, 2010 meeting. [410-4-.01 (4)] In addition to all the components of Rule 410-4-.01, the following information must be included:
 - a) The majority of faculty members must be full-time. The percentage of time for, and description of administrative responsibilities for the nurse administrator must be defined. The planning for full-time and part-time faculty members for five (5) years must be clarified. [410-3-.03 (3);410-3-.05]
 - b) Clarify the nursing accrediting body from which accreditation will be sought. [410-3-.03 (8), (10)]
 - c) Clarify the process of communication among Herzing University nursing programs and the degree of autonomy on each campus. [410-3-.03 (2); 410-3-.05 (8)]
 - d) Update the assessment and commitment of practice settings. [410-3-.04 (6); 410-3-.10]

Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Shorter University

Flynn moved based upon compliance with Rule 410-4-.01 (6), approve Report III submitted by Shorter University in support of the development and implementation of its prelicensure BSN Program. [410-4-.01 (6)] Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

Smith moved to make effective the timeframe to retake the NCLEX-RN after failure to 45 days as soon as it can be worked out with NCSBN. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Abbott, Brian – Flynn moved that applicant must complete a 700 hour preceptorship. Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Smith moved to reverse the language in the policy to reflect that nontraditional applicants cannot be compensated as an RN during the preceptorship prior to initial licensure. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100739 – Smith moved to rescind the previous board motion and accept the private consent order upon receipt of the original and allow the executive director to sign with express permission of the board president. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, July 15, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.

Delynn Keeton, **President**

Sylvia Bond, **Executive Director**

The minutes were recorded by Gwendolyn Dodson, Administrative Assistant and approved on September 15, 2010.